

**Search Notes**

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606	153	8/29/2006	PK
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**SEARCH NOTES  
(INCLUDING SEARCH STRATEGY)**

	DATE	EXMR
conducted building block search using keywords: connecting, anastomosis, joining, linking, vessels, lumens, duct, conduit	8/29/2006	PK
conducted class/subclass search	8/29/2006	PK
Conducted backward and forward search	9/7/2006	PK
Consulted with Examiner Julian Woo on claim rejections	9/14/2006	PK